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In re Patent Application of

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For: OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, AND METHOD AND DEVICE

FOR OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING/REPRODUCTION USING SAME

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to issuance of a first Office Action and simultaneously with the filing of the present U.S. national phase application, please amend said application as follows:

### **FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

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## **CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

# **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1.	If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2.	If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3.	If checked, amendments to the specification are submitted herewith.
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